## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to campaign contributions, so as to change certain provisions regarding filing campaign disclosure reports; to eliminate duplicate copy filing of certain disclosure reports with county election superintendents; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to campaign contributions, is amended by revising subparagraph (a)(1)(A) and the introductory language of subsection (e) of Code Section 21-5-34, relating to disclosure reports, as follows:

"(a)(1)(A) The candidate or the chairperson or treasurer of each campaign committee organized to bring about the nomination or election of a candidate for any office, except county and municipal offices, or the General Assembly and the chairperson or treasurer of every campaign committee designed to bring about the recall of a public officer or to oppose the recall of a public officer or designed to bring about the approval or rejection by the voters of any proposed constitutional amendment, state-wide proposed question, or state-wide referendum shall sign and file with the commission the required campaign contribution disclosure reports. A candidate for membership in the General Assembly or the chairperson or treasurer of such candidate's campaign committee shall file such candidate's reports with the commission and a copy of such report with the election superintendent of the county of such candidate's residence."

"(e) Any person who makes contributions to, accepts contributions for, or makes expenditures on behalf of candidates, and any independent committee, shall file a registration with the commission in the same manner as is required of campaign committees prior to accepting or making contributions or expenditures. Such persons, other than independent committees, shall also file campaign contribution disclosure reports

27	in the same places and at the same times as required of the candidates they are supporting,
28	but such persons shall not be required to file copies of campaign contribution disclosure
29	reports with local election superintendents as is required of candidates for membership in
30	the General Assembly. The following persons shall be exempt from the foregoing
31	registration and reporting requirements:"

32 SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

35 SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.